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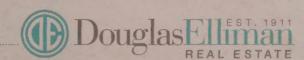


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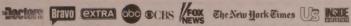










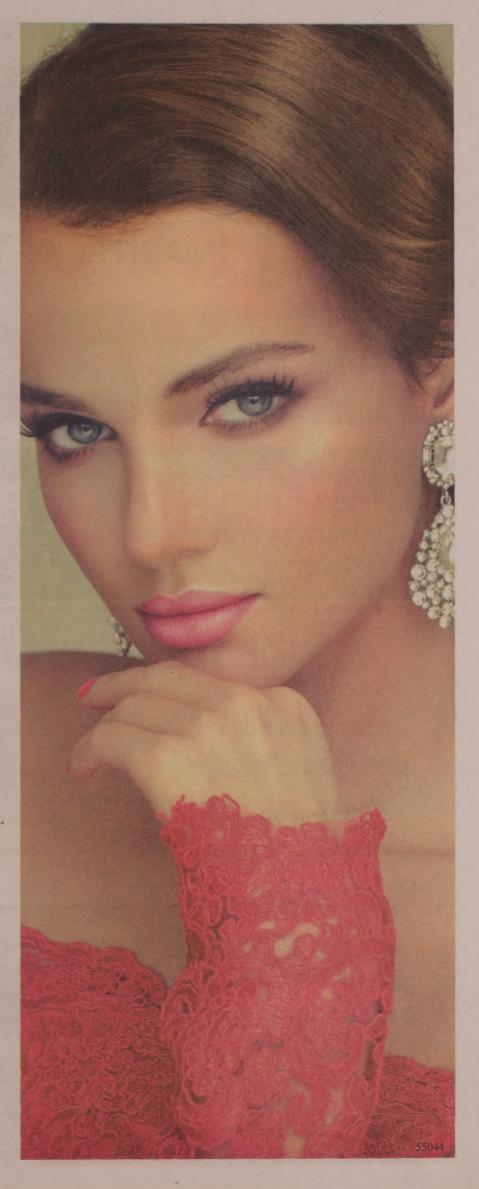




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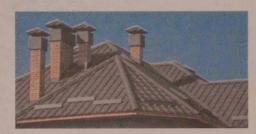
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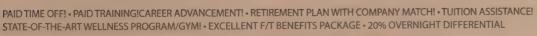
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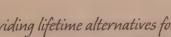
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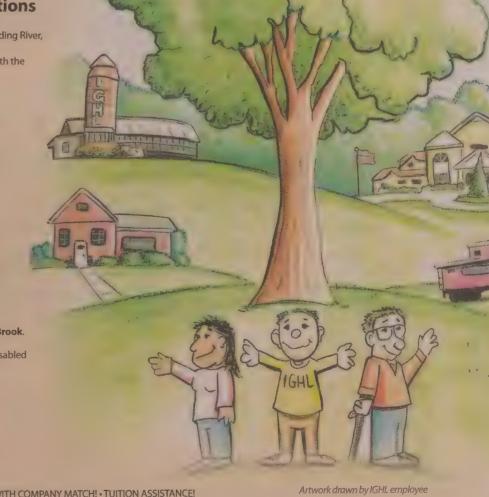
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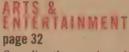
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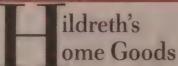








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East Hampton's Jon Bon Jovi thrilled attendees of Art Basel Miami Beach last week. His band played an intimate show at the Faena Hotel for approximately 250 fans, including fellow South Forkers Calvin Klein, Donna Karan and Andy Cohen. The performance featured some of the group's biggest hits, like "Bad Medicine" and "Wanted Dead or Alive," and was broadcast live on Sirius XM. Bridgehampton resident Sarah Jessica Parker also entertained Art Basel attendees. The Sex and the City and Divorce actress teamed up with theatrical director Simon Hammerstein for a performance-art piece at the opening night of L'Eden by Perrier-Jouet. With acrobats swinging overhead, Parker recited a poem by W.H. Auden.

The British Fashion Council honored Montauk resident Ralph Lauren last week. During a ceremony at London's Royal Albert Hall, the legendary designer was recognized for his creative vision and 50-year career, and received the organization's Outstanding Achievement award. Said Natalie Massenet, chairman of the British Fashion Council, in a statement, "Ralph Lauren is an exemplary designer and businessman...He has built an outstanding legacy and I look forward to celebrating him for years to come."

On the small screens: Amagansett's Alec Baldwin reprised his role as Presidential-elect Donald Trump for Saturday Night Live last weekend. In the skit, Baldwin's Trump was distracted by Twitter during a security briefing. In real life, Trump took to Twitter to comment on the performance, which he called "sad." Baldwin parried: "Release your tax returns and I'll stop." Sag Harbor "Piano Man" Billy Joel appeared on last week's episode of CBS's Kevin Can Wait. Joel is friends with the show's star, fellow Long Islander Kevin James, who invited him to play a cameo. In the episode, Kevin struggles with a decision when friends surprise him with tickets to see his favorite musician-after he's asked to spend more quality time with his family. Water Mill resident Matt Lauer will stay with the Today show, he's been a co-host since 1997. The newsman's new contract keeps him with the daytime show into 2018, with an annual salary of \$20 million. Feel better, Jennifer Lopez! The Water Mill singer and actress suffered a black eye while shooting scenes for the second season of her NBC police drama, Shades of Blue, last week. Lopez posted a photo of the shiner on Instagram. Susan Lucci has sold Four Winds, her Quogue home. The 10,622-square-foot house has seven bedrooms and 150 feet of beach frontage. It was listed for \$19.9 million in 2014, and reportedly sold for just under \$20 million. Water Mill's Kelly Ripa chatted with (Continued on page 20)

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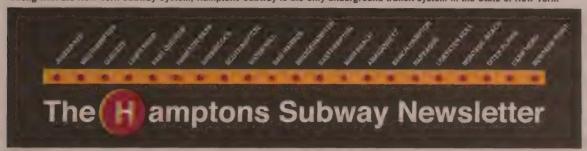








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Chef Jean-George Vongerichten was seen eating a piece of rum-infused fruitcake from a white paper box on the subway leaving Southampton headed for Hampton Bays on Wednesday at 2 p.m.

MOTORMAN HAT MADNESS

The first of two delays on the subway system this week happened at the Southampton platform when people went wild about being given, or not being given, a Hamptons Subway motorman's hat. New marketing director Claude Bellaire had organized the giveaway. These beautiful motorman's caps were presented to every 20th passenger who came through the turnstiles at our Southampton station. They were so beautiful that people held back coming through the turnstiles to be the 20th passenger. This created a crowd, then a melée, as those getting caps and those not getting caps scuffled with one another and with those just wanting to get to the trains.

These caps were specially made for Hamptons Subway by an overseas firm to replenish our dwindling supply, but all 1,000 of them had the words HAMPTONS SOBWAY MOTORMAN on the silver badges and so were unacceptable on arrival. Subway delays persisted through much of Saturday afternoon as a result. You wouldn't think people were so passionate about this.

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Santa Claus Came to East Hampton Town!

The Santa Parade presented by the East Hampton Chamber of Commerce brought the community out to begin the season of holiday cheer. After the parade, Santa met children at Rowdy Hall where snacks and secret wishes were shared.

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- 1. The Key Club of East Hampton High School 2. Look at **Frosty** go!
- 3. Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus greet the crowds
- 4. Lots of Santa's elves rode in the parade
- 5. Paola and Joseph meet Santa
- 6. Rudolph leads Santa's sleigh
- 7. The Boy Scouts let their flags fly
- 8. Now that's the way to ride in a parade!

Big Duck at Suffolk Theater

"How The Big Duck Saved Christmas" debuted this week at Suffolk Theater in Riverhead. Kids enjoyed the story of how the East End's own Big Duck saved Christmas from a group of french fry loving Canadian elves!

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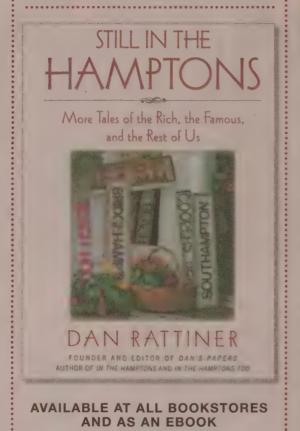
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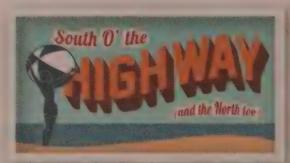
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Shelter Island's Andy Cohen on Bravo's Watch What Happens Live last week. Among other topics, the longtime friends discussed Ripa's potential new Live with Kelly co-host—and Hamptons regular—Anderson Cooper, who, according to Ripa, was the one who got away. The History Channel shot in the Dan's Papers Southampton offices last Wednesday afternoon. Look for an interview with Senior Web Editor Oliver Peterson in an upcoming special focused on Montauk's Camp Hero.

Where they dine: Le Charlot restaurateur Thierry Gelormini of Southampton and New York is planning a very special "holiday treat" for his mother, Angèle Gelormini Colombani, when she arrives from France on December 20. He has missed her Blanquette de Veau so. he says, "I'm putting her in the kitchen!" Read our latest review of Le Charlot on page 36. Famed Workman editor Suzanne Rafer and her husband, writer Danny Peary, held a farewell dinner with pioneering organic farmers Dale Haubrich and Bette Lacina's at Dale & Bette's Farm last Friday. Haubrich and Lacina have since left their Sag Harbor farm in the care of their assistant, as they have left to winter on their Arizona farm.

Southampton's Beth Stern will once again host Beth Stern & Friends' Bash for the Bulldogs!, Long Island Bulldog Rescue's holiday fundraising gala on December 12 at The London in New York. Stars, including Ice T and his wife Coco Austin, will come out to help raise funds to help English Bulldogs-one of America's most popular dog breeds, which is in crisis due to health issues and over-breeding. Sadly, Ice T and his wife Coco Austin just lost one of their two famous Bulldogs, Spartacus the Supermodel passed away last week. "If you don't like dogs, you might not want to come to the show," says Ice T, the rapper best known for playing Detective Fin Tutuola on Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.

Booking it: East Hampton author Erica Abeel released her fifth novel last month. Wild Girls follows three college friends who come of age, both professionally and personally, in the 1950s. Said author Sheila Weller, "This book will bathe the reader in a time and place in which female self-invention was never more important, exhilarating and challenging...I can hardly think of a timelier read." She's launching a cooking school.

Read more South O' the Highway daily at DansPapers.com.



Jobs, Jobs, Jobs

Trump Orders Bulova Factory in Sag Harbor to Re-open

BY DAN RATTINER

Last week, Donald Trump announced that after negotiating with the executives from Carrier Air Conditioner Company, in Indianapolis, the jobs of 1,000 workers have been saved. Carrier had been threatening to move the Indiana-based factory jobs to Mexico. But no more. Or at least half no more. There are 2,100 jobs at the Indiana factory. The agreement is that only half the jobs would go to Mexico. The other half, with government subsidies for Carrier, would remain right here in the good old U.S.A.

Rumors are, now Trump is turning his attention to Long Island, where company after company has moved to other countries, many to Mexico. He's starting on the eastern end of Long Island, and after he fixes things here, he will move west, to Riverhead, Huntington, Medford and, eventually, to Long Island City, which has hundreds and hundreds of unused factories and warehouses just waiting for the return.

Out east here, Trump has located the most easterly of the factories that have closed and gone to Mexico. It is the former Bulova Watch Company factory in Sag Harbor, and it is Trump's intention to get this factory working again with more new American factory jobs

for the citizenry. The factory began its life in the last decade of the 19th century when heavy industry bustled throughout its four stories of factory rooms making watchcases for the thriving wristwatch industry in America. Factories elsewhere made the works. Somebody had to make the cases. And that was done here in Sag Harbor.

The chain-link factory gates opened at 7 a.m. every day except Sunday—a day of rest—and the hundreds of Sag Harbor workmen in hardhats carrying their lunch pails shuffled in to go to their work stations.

The man who founded what would become Bulova Watchcase, a Mr. Fahys, it was said, was a fair and honest man. "A penny saved is a penny earned," was one of his slogans. He walked around the building handing out pennies once a week. He also said "a dollar a day for a dollar's worth of work a day," or maybe it was "a dollar a day keeps the doctor away." But over the rattle of the machinery and the hissing of the steam from the boilers, it was hard to actually hear.

The noon whistle would sound twice a day. The first was at noon, when the furnaces were tamped down and the men would go sit out on the window ledges on every floor with their feet hanging down to eat their lunches. They'd talk about Babe Ruth or Al Jolson or Lillian Gish,

and they'd take the full half-hour, even if they were done early. Then it was back to work.

The pieces of the watchcases continually came trundling down the conveyer belts, and the workmen in their rubber aprons had to assemble each watchcase as it marched by as fast as they could to get it ready to go to the quality control worker at the next station to make sure it was done right, then off to the cardboard box boxer and the label attacher and then to the forklifts and off to the waiting trucks.

At five, the whistle would sound again and the men, weary from a fair day's work at the benches, would file out through the gates and go home to their wives and children in the little houses throughout the town, where their dinners, a good cigar and maybe a drink awaited.

Then it was off to the Black Buoy or the Sandbar, the two dives on Main Street in the center of town where they could drink and play cards and shoot pool until 9 p.m. Then it was home to bed. Tomorrow was another day. And they'd have to be up at 6 a.m.

Mr. Fahys might have retired with honors and maybe a gold watch, but he unfortunately continued into the Depression and had to close in 1931. In 1937 Bulova re-opened the factory. Bulova's slogan(Continued on next page)



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was "America Runs on Bulova Time" and it was a so-so employer, people said, whereas Fahys was a wonderful employer, but it was still work. Rumors were-not true-that they speeded up the conveyer belts 10% and they required every workman buy a watch at retail to help the company along. On the other hand, they had Employee-of-the-Month awards and sometimes picnics, unless it rained. Although that may or may not have been true, either.

Eventually, in 1981, the owners of Bulova left Sag Harbor. Did they succumb to the rhythmic call of Mexico-or somewhereand move away to where labor was cheaper? Mongolia, some people said. Anyway, they The Watchcase factory today. never returned.

And now, people tell me there are Bulova factories everywhere in Mexico. They say from border to border there are more Bulova factories in Mexico then there is tea in China. Meanwhile, the four-story Bulova factory languished in silence here in Sag Harbor for years and years and years. As it aged, unused, an occasional brick might fall onto the head of one of the tourists from New York who were walking on the back streets. This was bad. So scaffolding was put up all around.

The Trump team is aware, they say, that after 35 years abandoned, the factory building was bought, fixed up and turned into a luxury residential property where units cost several million dollars each. Many have been sold. A few remain.



Now these owners will be bought out, in Trump's plan, and moved out. Many of these owners won't even care about that happening, his people say, because they are well-off people with many homes around the world who are only occasionally here in Sag Harbor. These people are to be blessed by a huge tax cut for the rich coming just as soon as Mr. Trump takes office. A little slice of Sag Harbor lost will thus be just an amusing annoyance for them.

In their place will come 1,100 factory workers from Indiana whose jobs went to Mexico (while 1,000 were saved). They will have been re-schooled and re-trained to learn how to assemble watchcases instead of air conditioners, which Trump says will not be a big deal, and they will now take their places

with their wives and kids living in the quaint little Sag Harbor houses in which the New York summer people now live. As with the condo dwellers, they will not mind. They'll be thinking of the tax cut. And they will be able to share in the communal joy of having gone hand-in-hand with Trump to re-energize the Sag Harbor community in a way that will surely "Make America Great Again." We will have done our part.

Tears will come to the eyes of the people of this community when they can see the fluttering of the American flag on the roof, the name BULOVA back on the brick walls, the flickering lights of the furnaces inside, the steam pouring out of the chimneys and the hundreds and thousands of watchcases that both pour into the backs of arriving trucks and swing on the wrists of every proud Sag Harbor citizen happy to be returning to the days of yore.

The conversion back to Bulova is expected to take about a year. After that, the men from Trump say, they expect to turn their efforts to the other former factory in that town, the cluster of buildings by Long Wharf at the other end of Main Street, that, not long ago, were used as warehouses but, before that, were the site of the U.S. Navy Torpedo Testing program for World War I.

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Rudolph leads Santa's sleigh!

View from the Sleigh

A Day in the Life of an East Hampton Man with Two Wives

BY DAN RATTINER

n the first Saturday in December every year, East Hampton Village holds a parade for Santa Claus as he makes his pre-Christmas visit to scope the place out. He appears on the grounds of the big white Presbyterian Church, on Main Street, atop his beautiful red-and-white sleigh with his wife, Mrs. Claus. A team of eight full-size reindeer rest up from the long flight in front of him.

Out on the street in front of the church, the parade of fire trucks, marching bands, farmers' tractors, sugar plum fairies and toy soldiers glides by, heading east toward the center of town. And after everyone goes by the church, Mr. Claus cracks his whip-well, if he had brought one (which he hasn't) he'd crack it—and with that the reindeer—eight strong young people in zip-up reindeer suits-get in line and pull on the sleigh, and take it out into the street. Up top, Mr. and Mrs. Claus wave happily to the crowd lining the sidewalks. The parade heads off to the center of town, turns left at the Newtown Lane traffic light and winds

up at the East Hampton YMCA on Lumber Lane, where everybody takes off costumes and gets picked up by friends and family to be driven home.

An hour before the parade, I, the founder and longtime editor of Dan's Papers, sit, having breakfast and coffee with my wife. But then, a half-hour before the parade, now dressed as Santa Claus, I go down to the Presbyterian Church and climb up the side of the sleigh to sit with my wife, my other wife, to await the signal to head off onto Main Street. Behind us in that sleigh, there are four elves who operate an air-blowing machine that blows potato flakes down a tube and out and up in front of me and my wife to create what appear to be snowflakes

Clark Kent transforming into Superman does not have it so good. He's a lonely man, too shy to chase Lois Lane and too busy, as Superman, to give Lois the time of day. I'm a lucky man. Two wives for me, and neither knows about

And I guess Santa Claus, the real Santa Claus, who knighted me over six years ago to dress up as him and perform his duties so he can continue to get ready at the North Pole for the big day, is lucky, too. I file a report to him when the parade is over, just before I go back to being Dan Rattiner. So he gets a complete overview of East Hampton. Here is this year's report:

Dear Mr. C.,

They gave us a really big welcome this year. The weather was sunny and brisk, the floats were wonderful, and though the runners of the sleigh got caught up on the center island as we turned onto Newtown Lane, it was only because I was so happy and distracted to see everyone, or I should say they were so happy to see you, ha, that I did not guide the reindeer correctly around that turn. We did get off without damage, I am here to report. And there was no need to file an accident form with the authorities.

The children along the side of the road were, as usual, overcome with either joy or amazement. A few little ones looked us over and shrunk back into their mothers' skirts for protection. But as you (continued on next page)

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know, that happens every year here. It's the price you (I) pay for celebrity.

Once again this year, following your instructions, I'd wave, and if I found a happy child by the side of the road, I would make eye contact, smile and point directly at him or her as we went along. As you said, if this is good enough for entertainers or politicians who do this when they stride out onstage in front of a crowd, then it's good enough for us. It's kind of tacky, I think, but I've told you that and you say just keep doing it. Some kids burst into tears when pointed at. Others jump up and down.

At the end of the parade, in front of the YMCA, I stayed atop the sleigh for quite some time as parents handed up kids to me to interview and Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus and some elves greet the crowds at the Santa Parade. ask what they wanted. One boy was Kevin, about six.

I asked him, "What would you like for Christmas?" and he said, "Did you get my letter?

That took me aback a bit, so I told him yes, but we have a big pile of them, and he said, "Well, when you get to mine you'll see what I want."

I was then taken by a policeman in a police van back down Newtown Lane-thank you for that, I would have had a trail of little kids behind me, if I had walked all that way—and soon came in the back door of Rowdy Hall, where they had that big throne set up. When I arrived, I was greeted by applause and cheers—all intended



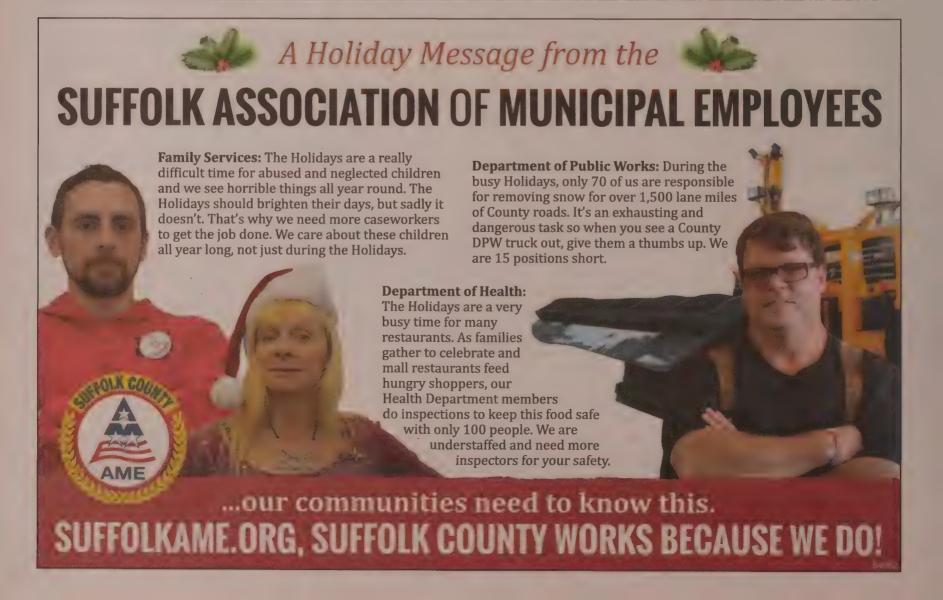
for you-and I smiled and waved and bowed to everyone, as you had shown me, and then sat down. In front of me was a big group of kids, accompanied by their parents, lined up out the front door, through the courtyard to the street. They stepped forward, one by one, and these little kids sat on my lap and told me what they wanted. Accompanying this letter is a small cassette tape of these children's requests. This is the first time we've done this, and I think it will be a big help to you in order to match up the toys with each of the kids. High priorities were computers, Legos, dolls, iPads, video games and cell phones. The tape—you just slip it into the player we sent earlier—will speak for itself.

I had a great many candy canes in a bucket on the floor by my throne at Rowdy Hall and, as instructed, dutifully gave one to each kid who approached and sat. We had about 70 of them between age 1 (a bantling) and 12 (a sixth grader), and I did my best. Again, everyone was overwhelmed to be near to you, sir, even though it was I, and they were either eager to sit, too frightened to sit, or feeling the situation out cautiously when invited to sit, waffled a bit and then, sometimes, just jumped up and gave me a big hug, thinking it was you.

I spent an hour there to make sure every one of them got the individual and proper attention they deserved, and also a free candy cane. Sometimes,

with some of the more reluctant kids, the candy was an icebreaker. Anyway, many ho ho ho's were emitted during this performance.

When everyone had seen me, talked to me, climbed up on me, had photos taken of me, told me what they wanted and left, I myself, after being thanked by the staff of Rowdy Hall, picked up the remaining candy canes and, as I walked back to where I, as Dan Rattiner, had parked my Tahoe behind the church, handed out individual candy canes to strollers heading toward me on the sidewalk. They included two older men, a woman, and the two traffic police officers at the street crossing, and all thanked me (you), very much.





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Windmills in the Ocean Will Power the Hamptons

BY DAN RATTINER

There were two important developments in the news last week that were of great importance to the Hamptons. One is that our power supplier, PSEG Long Island, predicts there might be power brownouts next summer. With their current setup, they are predicting they might fall 8 megawatts short at peak demand if, for example, on a hot day everyone were to turn on their air conditioners at one time. As a result, they are bringing out two portable power generators on the backs of tractor trailer trucks to the East End. One will be parked at the Amagansett power station by the railroad station, and the other will be in Montauk at the power station on Industrial Road. If an overload develops somewhere at one or the other power station, they will be turned on. Otherwise they sit quietly. These generators run on compressed gas, which, a spokesman says, is better for the environment than the big diesel-run generators now in use.

Interestingly, there is a power surplus on the western end of the island. Power needs remain steady, but fuel saving measures are in effect. These measures are also in effect in the Hamptons, but the continued development of the East End's oversized mansions brings a greater need for more electricity. It doesn't help, for example, if a couple comes out to their 10,000-square-foot McMansion for the weekend,

turns on all the lights and then leaves on Monday with a computer system that continually turns lights on and off all week to make the place look occupied to potential burglars.

It was originally thought possible, according to East Hampton Supervisor Larry Cantwell, to borrow some of the power from the west to handle the shortage here, but overhead lines in place that would carry this power are not adequate to handle it, and the general public does not take kindly to building more.

The second item in the news last week seems to solve the problem of the first, although it would take several years to put in place if approved.

Deepwater Wind, a New England company, is meeting with LIPA, which oversees the electricity PSEG provides us, to consider a contract to build new offshore turbines capable of delivering some 90 megawatts to us, enough to power 50,000 homes, which is practically all the homes here.

Deepwater Wind has already constructed five enormous wind turbines out in the ocean three miles just southeast of Block Island. They are clearly visible from Block Island and it is said you can see them from Montauk on very clear days, if you are on a hill or standing on your tiptoes. Before the end of 2016, these turbines are scheduled to be turned on and, with their link-up undersea, will begin providing 30 megawatts of power to 12,000 homes in Block

Island and Rhode Island. Could we tap into that wind? Get power from the east rather than the west? The answer is yes. And the project might be ordered as soon as this upcoming meeting.

The plan on the table would reportedly have them build a South Fork Wind Farm of 12 turbines, 30 miles off Montauk and 15 miles southeast of Block Island. These turbines will not be visible from Long Island, they say. Each turbine will provide 8 megawatts of power, so the total would be nearly 100 megawatts, which is enough to provide power to almost every home existing in the Hamptons. Cables would come underwater to shore and continue underground to the power stations in Montauk, Amagansett and East Hampton. You'd not see them, either. A bonus would be that when going underground from Amagansett to East Hampton, PSEG should be able to take all the giant utility poles down that carry the power now, because those cables could also be put underground into the trenches dug for the wind farm cables. Maybe the utility lines along Amagansett's main street could go there, too.

Deepwater has a lease on about 250 square miles of sea bottom south of Long Island, Block Island and Martha's Vineyard. Deepwater's wind farm going live will be the first offshore wind power operation in the country. Wind is a gift from God. This helps save the planet. I cannot imagine anyone (Continued on page 30)

Eat, Drink and Be Merry at Dan's 12 Wines of Christmas Dinner!

T is the season to indulge and celebrate, and what better way to do both than right here on the East End, with a dozen select Long Island wines, a dinner featuring the freshest in local ingredients, and the merriment of the inaugural Dan's 12 Wines of Christmas Dinner, presented by The Cardinale Group! Set at North. Fork Chocolate Company's new event gallery in Aquebogue, this intimate farmhouse-style culinary experience is sure to get everyone fully in the holiday spirit—and you are invited!

Guests will enjoy a seasonal multi-course wine-pairing dinner prepared by Steven Biscari Amaral, Executive Chef and Master Chocolatier of North Fork Chocolate Company. And there will be much more than chocolate during the night! From pre-meal tastings through course-specific pours through a delicious dessert, guests will be able to savor a dozen fabulous wines from Long Island Wine Country, specially selected for this celebratory evening.

All wines poured at Dan's 12 Wines of Christmas dinner will be sourced from the finest of Long Island wineries, including the lauded Jamesport Vineyards—Platinum winner for Best Winery in this year's Dan's Best of the Best! The exact wines and pairings are shrouded in festive secrecy for now, but maybe one of Santa's elves will let it slip (those elves do love Dan's Papers social media, remember...).

Serving up the evening's seasonal feast is Chef Amaral, and guests are in for a treat from the culinary artist who started North Fork Chocolate Company with his partner, Ann Corley, in January 2013 through Stony Brook Incubator at Calverton. Amaral was based in Hawaii for 20 years, serving as Corporate Executive Chef and Food and Beverage Director for Sweeney Development Corp. He oversaw 10 hotel openings and multi-unit restaurant concepts in Hawaii, California and Florida as a certified executive chef by the American Culinary Federation, and he was the first place gold medal winner of the Hawaii Seafood Challenge and nominated by the James Beard Foundation for "Chef of the Year" Pacific Northwest.

After Hawaii, Chef Amaral lived in Madrid for several years, working for restaurant group Grupo Vips, before he settled on Long Island's East End and started his own production and catering companies—Blue Owl Productions and Black Tie Caterers. He has received numerous accolades, including being named Dan's Best of the Best on the North Fork as Caterer and Event Planner. In later years, Amaral started his own restaurant in Wading River, the much-loved Amarelle, achieving an "Excellent" three-star review from *The New York Times*.

As for those chocolates—which will of course be part of the 12 Wines of Christmas dinner experience—North Fork Chocolate Company handcrafts small batch, artisanal chocolates and gourmet desserts from the products of local farmers on the East End of Long Island. Their famous Belgian chocolates are blended with wholesome creamery products and filled with fresh-from-the-farm local ingredients—fruits, vegetables, dairy, spirits, sea salt, herbs and honey. As a special treat for guests only, North Fork Chocolate Company's boutique will be open the night of the event and offering special deals on last-minute gifts! We'll see you there!

Hurry, seating is extremely limited for Dan's 12 Wines of Christmas Dinner, presented by The Cardinale Group, on Saturday, December 17, at North Fork Chocolate Company, 740 Main Road in Aquebogue. The night begins with a tasting experience at 6:30 p.m., followed by a multi-course sit-down wine-pairing dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$125 per person or \$199 per couple and include tasting experience, the intimate sit-down dinner with wine pairings, and holiday gift bag. Tickets available now at 12WinesofChristmas.com.



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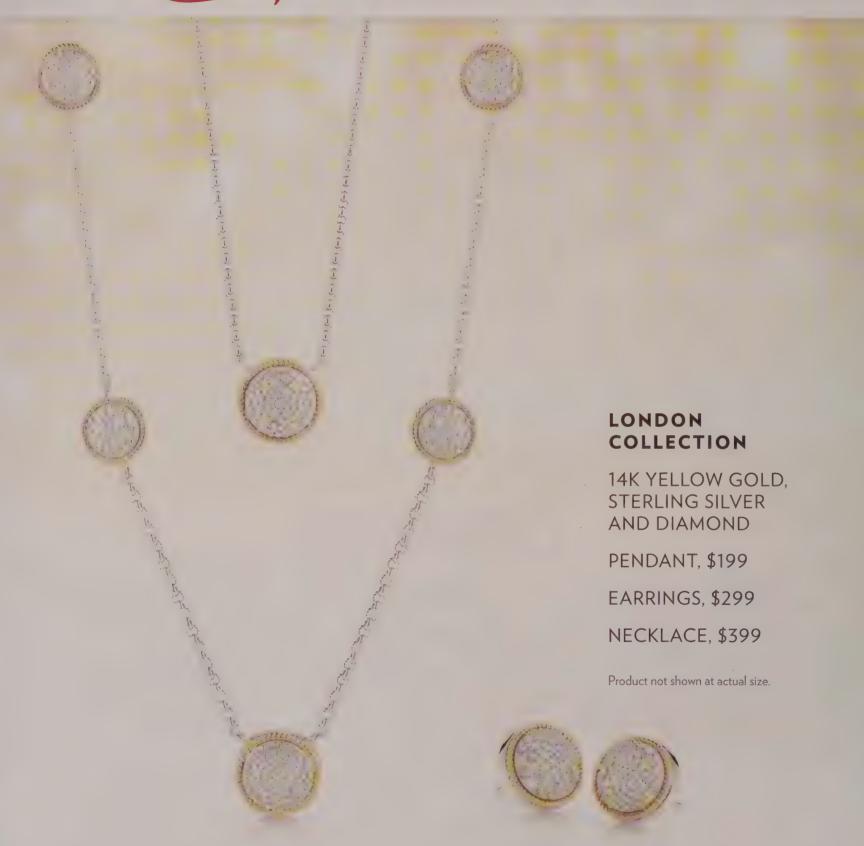
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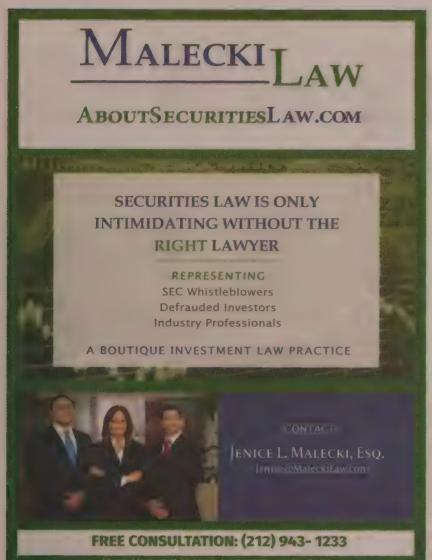
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objecting to this. But I'm sure some people will come up with something.

Stockholm Syndrome

Some years ago, members from the Symbionese Liberation Army, a left wing group in America espousing terror, drove to a private home in Berkeley, California, took heiress Patty Hearst—who was 19—threw her in the trunk of their car and drove off with her. As she remained kidnapped for a few days, her kidnappers released a recording of their ransom demands. They didn't want money, but millions of dollars in food distributed to food pantries in exchange for her release. Then an odd thing happened.

As she later said, Hearst came to see her kidnappers as comrades, and that she loved one of them, Willie Wolfe. Less than two months later, photos from a surveillance camera showed Patty carrying a machine gun with the others in the lobby of a bank in San Francisco, as she and the others held up that place and made off with the money.

Later on, she got released or escaped—I forget which—and was eventually arrested and put on trial. Part of her defense was that after her kidnapping, she suffered from Stockholm Syndrome, an illness discovered by psychiatrists the year before that results in hostages developing positive feelings toward their captors. I think she spent time in jail. But then she was released and has lived a relatively normal life since.

As for the SLA, as it was called, it came to an end over time. They'd tried to move to Los Angeles, but when the police surrounded many of the members in a house in L.A., a gunfight ensued and the house burned to the ground, killing many inside, and the surviving members moved back to the Bay Area. But that's another story.

I think it is fair to say that as a longtime liberal, I am now suffering under the Stockholm Syndrome as it pertains to our President-elect. I have been finding good in Donald Trump. Maybe he's not so bad. He's all we've got, after all. We elected him.

I must say that I am not the first to be suffering from this. Barack Obama was the first. He's come near to even heaping praise on Mr. Trump. Since then, more liberals have expressed similar feelings. Other liberals, still mourning the loss of the election, call these traitors "Normalizers," as in, well, now, everything returns to normal.

Frankly, it's not so bad. I spent the better part of a year terrified that Donald Trump would become President, rip up the Constitution, end our remarkable checks-and-balances system by discharging judges, declaring a State of Emergency, burning down the Capital so the Congress couldn't convene, attending KKK rallies and essentially turning America into a police state.

It is now clear to me this is not going to happen. Trump is clearly working within the Presidential framework. American democracy will survive and we will now have an era of firm Republican conservatism for a while, balancing the liberal era that came before.

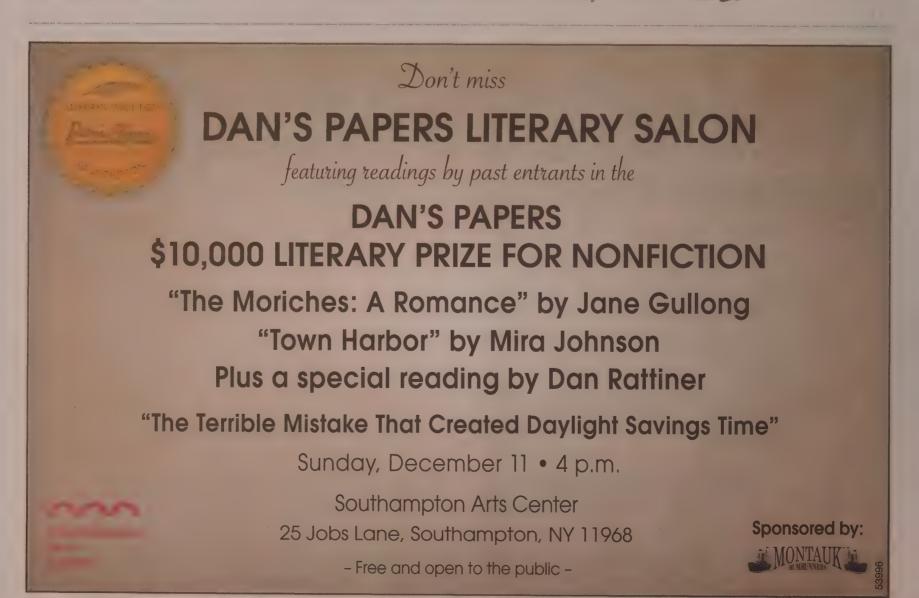
Trump has personality flaws. Gail Collins in her column a few days ago in *The New York Times* said one of these flaws could be that he can't remember something after he's said it. He'll even deny what he said. As a result, he can begin to be seen as a well-meaning but crazy uncle who needs guidance to get through life.

Interestingly, foreign leaders are beginning to help. Trump took a phone call from the President of Taiwan, congratulating him on his election last week. Mistake. We do not recognize Taiwan. No American President has talked to a President of Taiwan since 1979, when we ceased recognition of that, uh, country, to smooth a way for good relations with China.

American diplomats expressed serious alarm that Trump had taken that call, but then the head of China sent a message saying that Taiwan's President was taking advantage of Trump's naiveté. Things are tricky, but are being worked out with China. Trump will figure it out. So forget that phone call.

I predict that the rest of the leaders of the world will also see the worth in helping Donald Trump along. This is a good country. This is a bad country. You'll learn. As a result, the leaders of the world might join hands and just forget about fighting wars with one another for a while, while they embark on this project.

So welcome to the Stockholm Syndrome. It could save us all.



This Week's Cover Artist: Donna Corvi

BY BRIAN CUDZILO



After 20 years as a commercial artist in New York, this week's cover artist, Donna Corvi, needed a change. Now she is a full-time artist based in Montauk. A quick scan of her work makes one thing clear: she is quite fond of trees. So it's only fitting that during the holiday

season we should feature her painting, "Pine Tree." We reached out to Corvi to find out what she admires so much about trees and to discuss her new projects, using found art to create 3-D pieces.

Trees are a definite motif in your work. Can you talk a little bit about what draws you to that particular subject?

Trees, especially in their naked state, have always been a delight for my senses. The patterns the bare branches make, tangled or straight and tall, the sounds they make as they rub together in the wind, the changing light of day and sunsets as backgrounds or the fragrance of evergreen in the winter—all have inspired me to capture it on canvas all these years.

You've also been experimenting recently with 3-D art. What drew you to that?

I have been so saddened by the environmental changes happening on our planet: pollution, fires, deforestation, tree diseases and more. I felt the best way to bring a visual consciousness to people was to bring it to a stark reality with three-dimensional objects in my tree-totem and pollution series. Using branches I gather on my long walks, I use black paint, compounds and sometimes cement to create small, medium and large wall sculptures that can be both disturbing and beautiful at the same time.

Do you prefer one medium to the other?

I love going back and forth between the media—they each help me see things differently!

Your 3-D art uses found art. Can you explain what found art is and give an example of a great piece you've found that made it into your work?

To me, found art is finding beauty or interesting qualities in a discarded item, man-made or nature made and using minimal modifications to make it uniquely yours. I've always loved picking things up I find on my walks, or at rummage sales, and storing them in open bins until something just clicks. Right now I'm collecting pieces for an outdoor piece I will call



"All Creatures Great and Small." One that is my favorite is a 6-foot tree ornament that began with a rusted metal barrel band found at the recycling center.

Is there another artist working in this medium you think our readers should know?

I do love local artist Scott Bluedorn's work!

Is there a particular place on the East End you go looking for great trees and/or found art?

Montauk! Whether it's on my walks along roads, on the

beaches or in the woods—my pieces are 100% Montauk found or grown!

Do you have any advice for aspiring artists?

I do. Never stop creating! Starting out, it's difficult to support oneself doing only art. But there's no shame in having another way of supporting your talent. Sketch, keep a journal of ideas, and don't stop doing what brings you joy—the rewards are emotionally and creatively fulfilling and will enhance whatever you do in life.

Where can our readers see your work?

I will have several small works at the Woodbine Collection in Montauk through January 8, 2017. Plus, my website: donnacorvi.com.





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Jorma Kaukonen at Suffolk Theater December

BY ANTHONY PERROTTA

n Friday, December 9, Rock and Roll Hall of Famer Jorma Kaukonen performs at Riverhead's Suffolk Theater. Born in Washington, D.C., Kaukonen played in a high school rock band with his future bandmate Jack Casady. Along with Marty Balin, Signe Anderson and Paul Kantner, Kaukonen helped to form the acid rock band Jefferson Airplane, which recorded some of the best-known psychedelic tracks of the '60s and '70s, such as "White Rabbit" and "Somebody to Love."

Shortly after leaving the Airplane, Kaukonen co-founded Hot Tuna and also began a solo career. He has continued to perform and record nonstop. Before his upcoming show in Riverhead, Kaukonen talked with us about his "rootless" upbringing, early musical influences and his initial move to the West Coast. He also briefly looks back on some of rock and roll's most famous festivals and lets concertgoers on the East End know what to expect from his show next month.

Was the household you grew up in musical?

It was. Both my parents played piano. We had a Steinway upright. My dad also played violin and the recorder, and my mom sang.

Your father's career in the State Department allowed you to travel to many different places at a young age. How did this affect you?

One thing it does is make you rootless—compared

to your friends at home who would be in high school with the kids they went to kindergarten with. It also allows you to reinvent yourself often. Whether or not that's a good thing is open to debate. It did make me open to accepting different cultures, and I learned what it was like to be an outsider, or a minority.

What artists do you credit with influencing your guitar style?

Before I started to finger pick, it would've been The Carter Family, Buddy Holly, Johnny Cash, Reverend Gary Davis, and most importantly, Jorma rocks the house! Ian Buchanan.



Ralph J. Gleason.

Airplane's breakthrough?

Do you have any reflections that vou'd like to share about your gigs at **Woodstock and Monterey?**

What did you consider to be Jefferson

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We were only at Woodstock for the time it took for us to perform, which was 20 hours or so. It was so huge, though. It was impossible for me to grasp its significance at the time. As for Monterey, yes, it was a breakthrough festival, but it was small compared to the festivals we take for granted today.

You met Jack Casady as a teenager. What was your relationship early on?

He was my buddy Chick's younger brother. When we both realized we shared the love of music, we became best pals.

What was it like to move from Washington, D.C. to the San Francisco Bay area?

The year and a half before I moved to Santa Clara, I was in school in the Philippines. After that, I was back in D.C. for three months working in a service station and then out to the West Coast. California was Technicolor compared to the monochromatic atmosphere of D.C.

Do you still listen to music the way you did when your career started?

Yes. I'm impulsive, but single-minded. When I'm into something, that's all I listen to.

What can you tell us about the show you're bringing to Suffolk Theater?

This will be a true solo Jorma show. Just me and my guitar. I love being able to do this.

Jorma Kaukonen performs at Suffolk Theater Friday, December 9 at 8 p.m. 118 East Main Street, Riverhead. For more information, call 631-727-4343 or visit suffolktheater com





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631-283-6500 to make reservations.

Saturday, December 10 marks the return of the annual **Oysterponds PTA Holiday Auction** to Poquatuck Hall in Orient Village. Visitors can browse a selection of almost 100 prizes including a Sony PlayStation VR headset, Amazon Echo and other fabulous prizes. Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$1, \$5 or \$10. Complimentary coffee, hot chocolate and mini-muffins will be provided by Hampton Coffee from 11:30 a.m. until supplies run out. The PTA hopes to reach a fundraising goal of \$5,000. Email *oysterpondspta@gmail.com* or call 646-256-8029.

Speaking of raffles, the East End Classic Boat Society will hold its annual raffle drawing and reception in Amagansett on Saturday, December 10. Visitors to the event from 3 – 5 p.m. in the Hartjen-Richardson Community Boat Shop, behind the Maritime Museum, can view a variety of boats at the facility where members build and restore wooden craft of traditional design. This year's raffle prize

is a 13-foot Pooduck skiff by designer Joel White. Also on display is next year's raffle boat undergoing construction: a sail-equipped Sunshine tender. Contact Ray at 631-324-2490 for more information.

Southampton Soap Company's Holiday Gift Show will be back for its third year at The Farmhouse at 832 Scuttle Hole Road in Water Mill. Get your locally made, artisan gifts from 4–8 p.m. Thursday the 15th and Friday the 16th, and from 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Their boutique truck will also be open daily from December 19–23 from 3–7 p.m. and by appointment. *southamptonsoapcompany.com*

Ashawagh Hall in Springs will host the 18th annual **By Hand Artisan's Holiday Gift Show**. Find beautiful and unique creations by local artists Saturday, December 17 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sunday the 18th from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Visit *ashawagh-hall.org* for more information.

The perfect gift for any animal lover! The **2017 ARF Pet Calendar**, celebrating its 12th anniversary, is filled with photos of dogs and cats, some with homes and some without. Displayed on a coffee table or kept beside the telephone, this desk calendar is beautiful and functional. Calendars are available at the ARF Adoption Center and the Thrift Shop in Sagaponack. To purchase over the phone call Kathy at 631-537-0400 x214.

Don't just give this holiday season, give back. Free soup dinners sponsored by the East Hampton Clericus will be held at Most Holy Trinity Parish Hall one Wednesday per month through March 2017. The events are supported

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE AT SOFO

10 a.m.—4 p.m. Bring new, unwrapped toys. Benefits The Retreat. South Fork Natural History Museum, 377 Bridgehampton-Sag Harbor Turnpike, Bridgehampton. 631-537-9735

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9

CELEBRATE BIVALVUS DAY AT LONG ISLAND SPIRITS

4 p.m. Learn about a nitrogen sampling study conducted by Cornell Cooperative Extension and Noank Aquaculture Cooperative to detect and reduce excess nitrogen entering our bays. Cocktail reception and 4-oyster sampler follows. Long Island Spirits, 2182 Sound Avenue, Baiting Hollow. peconicpearls.org

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6 p.m. Presentations by East End locals in a "20 slides x 20 second each" format. \$10. This event will sell out. Parrish Art Museum, 279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill. 631-283-2118 parrishart.org

JOY TO THE WORLD AT HAMPTON THEATRE COMPANY

4 p.m. Readings of holiday stories by Arthur Conan Doyle, Isaac Bashevis Singer and others. 125 Jessup Avenue, Quogue. 631-653-8955 hamptontheatre.org

IRISH CHRISTMAS IN AMERICA AT PATCHOGUE THEATRE

8 p.m. Irish music, vocals and dance to celebrate the holiday. Patchogue Theatre for the Performing Arts, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue. 631-207-1313 patchoguetheatre.org

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9 a.m. Shop, dine and relax. Featuring Mashomack Preserve's Annual Holiday Open House. Grand Avenue, Shelter Island. 631-749-0399 shelterislandchamber.org

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Noon. Participants will visit well-known places in East Hampton, including Pollock-Krasner House, Guild Hall, Clinton Academy and more. East Hampton Village, East Hampton. 631-324-0362

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12/10, 12/17, 12:30 p.m. Santa visit, light refreshments, horse and buggy rides. Southampton Arts Center and Rogers Memorial Library, 25 Jobs Lane/91 Coopers Farm Road, Southampton. 631-283-0402 southamptonchamber.com

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CABARET AT SOUTHAMPTON ARTS CENTER

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For more information and to submit your event online go to Events.DansPapers.com. Events submitted by noon Friday will be considered for the print calendar.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

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Le Charlot: Try the No-Name Cocktail!

BY STACY DERMONT

t Le Charlot there's great food and atmosphere and that handsome and welcoming, oh-so-French restaurateur Thierry Gelomini. As my husband and I sat down at a window table for two last Monday, our server, Max, immediately popped out an extension of the table to render it "gastronome size." My reputation precedes me.

One of Gelomini's first questions to me was "Do you like vodka?" It wasn't a come-on, just a step in the right direction. My husband had already settled on a glass of house white, a Pino Grigio, and Gelomini assured me that bartender Yannick Brito has a way with vodka. Before I'd finished a glass of Brito's work I agreed. Vodka with a hit of St. Germain liqueur and a splash of cranberry juice felt just right for this holiday shopping season. It was sweet but balanced, very refreshing with great color. This drink does not have a moniker, but some of the best things to consume unfurl themselves without the burden of a specific name. You can just ask for Brito's special vodka cocktail.

Though predominantly French, Le Charlot's wine list includes a selection from one of our best local wineries, Wölffer Estate Vineyards.

We had the option of "all-u-can-eat mussels & fries," on offer Monday through Wednesday for \$26. I expect we'll go back for that some time. On special was Cajun chicken with fries or a choice of vegetable. But we wanted to try the hearty winter menu items.

Husband started with the Salmon Tartare, which

he declared "not the typically Asian-inflected variety" and nicely moist. A scattering of diced red pepper and chopped chives enlivened the plate.

I started with what, despite the overall high quality of the meal, was a particular standout: the Belgian Endive & Pear Salad. A beautiful study in pale—walnuts, freshly ground black pepper and arugula set against the pears, endive and Roquefort. Of course its subtle flavors and crunch, against the bite of Rougefort, are what most endeared it to me.

Max proclaimed the cassoulet ALMOST better than his own mother's. High praise from a Frenchman who has spent the last 15 years in the Caribbean, away from home. So Husband had to try it. Husband's mother is vegan so her cooking oeuvre does not touch on the meat fest that is a traditional cassoulet of pork and garlic sausage and duck confit cooked slowly over white beans. This son of a vegan exclaimed, "Oh, man! These are some RICH beans!"

I ordered the Boeuf Bourguignon—something I indulge in about twice a year, in cold weather. Served with a "flag" of fresh rosemary on top, these tender chunks of beef and tagliatelle in red wine sauce with braised pearl onions are exactly on the mark—pure beefiness with a touch of vegetal bliss from diced carrots and mushrooms.

Max wisely suggested we get some bread to sop up all the goodness. Though earlier we'd refused it, we were now rewarded with a high-quality sliced baguette.

Husband had a very hot decaf coffee with heated cream to close the meal and I had my usual herbal



My delightful Belgian Endive & Pear Salad

peppermint tea. Of course we shared a slice of tarte Tatin, because that is what one does in a restaurant this French. The apples were reduced to a soft mass, much like us.

Last Friday, Husband and I went back for more—a pre-holiday lunch. We were again treated to jazzy tunes that included Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Armstrong, while we gazed out at the Christmas lights and hurrying shoppers along Southampton's Main Street. Husband indulged in a Croque Monsieur. I, of course, had the Belgian Endive & Pear Salad.

Le Charlot, 36 Main Street, Southampton, 631-353-3222, lecharlot.us.







"Out East" Seeks Funding

BY OLIVER PETERSON

7 hether one likes eating oysters or not, the fact that the shellfish's population is down as much as 95% in New York is cause for serious concern. According to Stony Brook Southampton graduate and marine biologist Dean Tarulli-who's currently Kickstarting Out East Oysters, a 10-acre oyster farm

in East Hampton-these simple mollusks do remarkable things for the local ecosystem.

"Each oyster filters about 40 gallons of water a day," Tarulli says, explaining that oysters are essential to help clean the water and restore marine habitats. His small farm is projected to grow some 7 million oysters, which could filter about 7.3 billion gallons of water in just one growing season. "It's huge amounts."

At the same time, Tarulli points out that each oyster can spit out a few thousand eggs, which will broadcast and disperse into the wild, seeding more oysters beyond the borders of the farm-all while providing the community with some delicious, safe and legally cultivated gastronomical delights.

Tarulli has secured the permit You know you want to help with this! and Napeague Bay location

for his farm, but he needs the funds to make Out East Oysters a reality. For that, he turned to the Kickstarter crowdsourcing website, where he launched a campaign to raise \$12,000 for farming supplies, including baby oysters and the necessary equipment to grow and protect

them from predators and sweeping ocean currents.

As of Monday evening, December 5, Out East Oysters has raised \$8,061 from 94 backers, leaving just eight more days to raise the remaining \$4,000 in the "all or nothing" campaign.

Backers of the project are offered various rewards for their participation—depending on how much money they contribute. For a \$15 contribution,

backers receive 15 oysters to eat. For \$175, Tarulli offers backers their very own cage of 120 oysters, along with updates and progress reports as they grow. Higher level backers can get larger cages with more oysters, as well as special rewards, such as a dinner cruise for two, naming their boat and more. Contributions between \$18 and \$80 will earn backers a variety of handmade oyster shell crafts and gifts-including scented candles, jewelry and even a wind chime-T-shirts and other goodies.

Out East Oysters is also working with the Billion Oyster Project, which aims to restore New York Harbor with 1 billion oysters by the year 2030. Even backer contributions as low as one dollar will buy a one-oyster donation to this worthy cause.

"It's a business, but my passion is restoration work, so I had to combine the two or I really wouldn't enjoy working," Tarulli says.

To be part of Out East Oysters, back the Kickstarter campaign at: danspapers.com/2016/12/out-eastoysters-seeks-kickstarter-funding

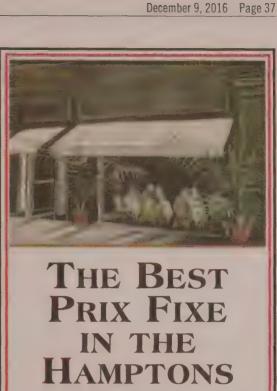




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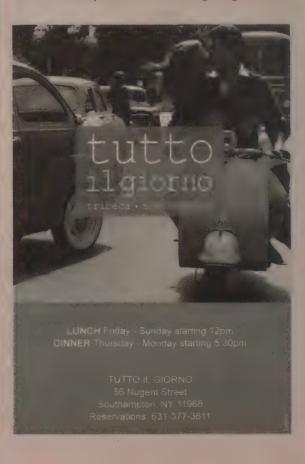
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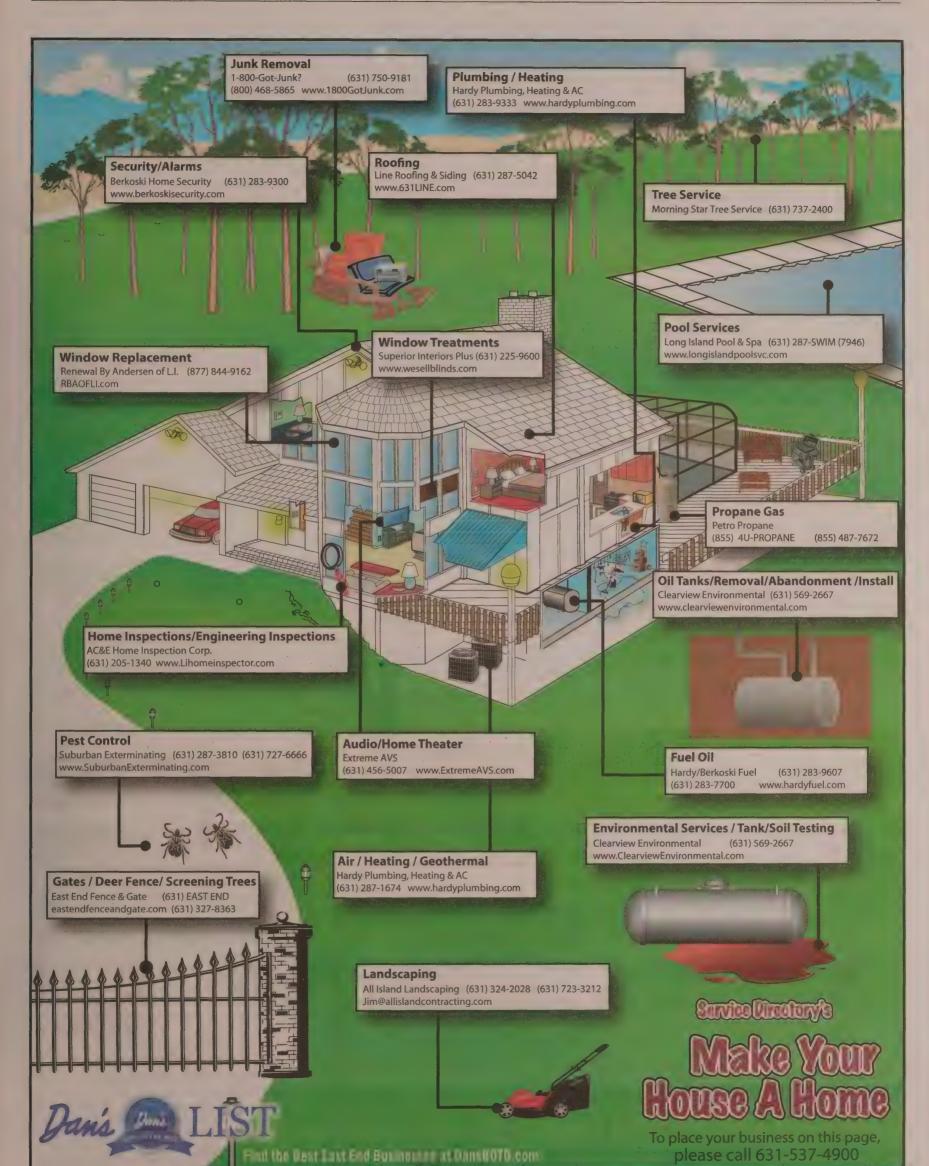
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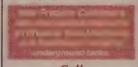
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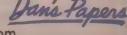
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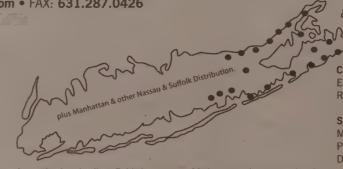
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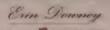
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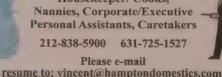
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Lucci first listed the 7-bedroom, 7-bath, shinglestyle home at 20 Dune Road with Douglas Elliman power broker Enzo Morabito for \$19.9 million in the summer of 2014 and, apparently, never budged much from the asking price until she got it. The recent sale, however, according to a representative from Douglas Elliman, was not through Morabito or the firm.

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Morabito told Dan's Papers that one of Lucci's favorite things to do while staying at her East Quogue home, which she enjoyed with husband Helmut Huber, was to "walk down to the beach with a cup of morning coffee in her hand."

The house, which also overlooks Quogue Canal, features a covered porch on the second floor, lots of nautical design inspiration, and 10,622 square feet of living space. It was designed by Hamptons architect Eugene Futterman, with help from Peter Cook and Eric Woodward, and built for Lucci and Huber in 1989.

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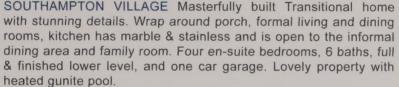
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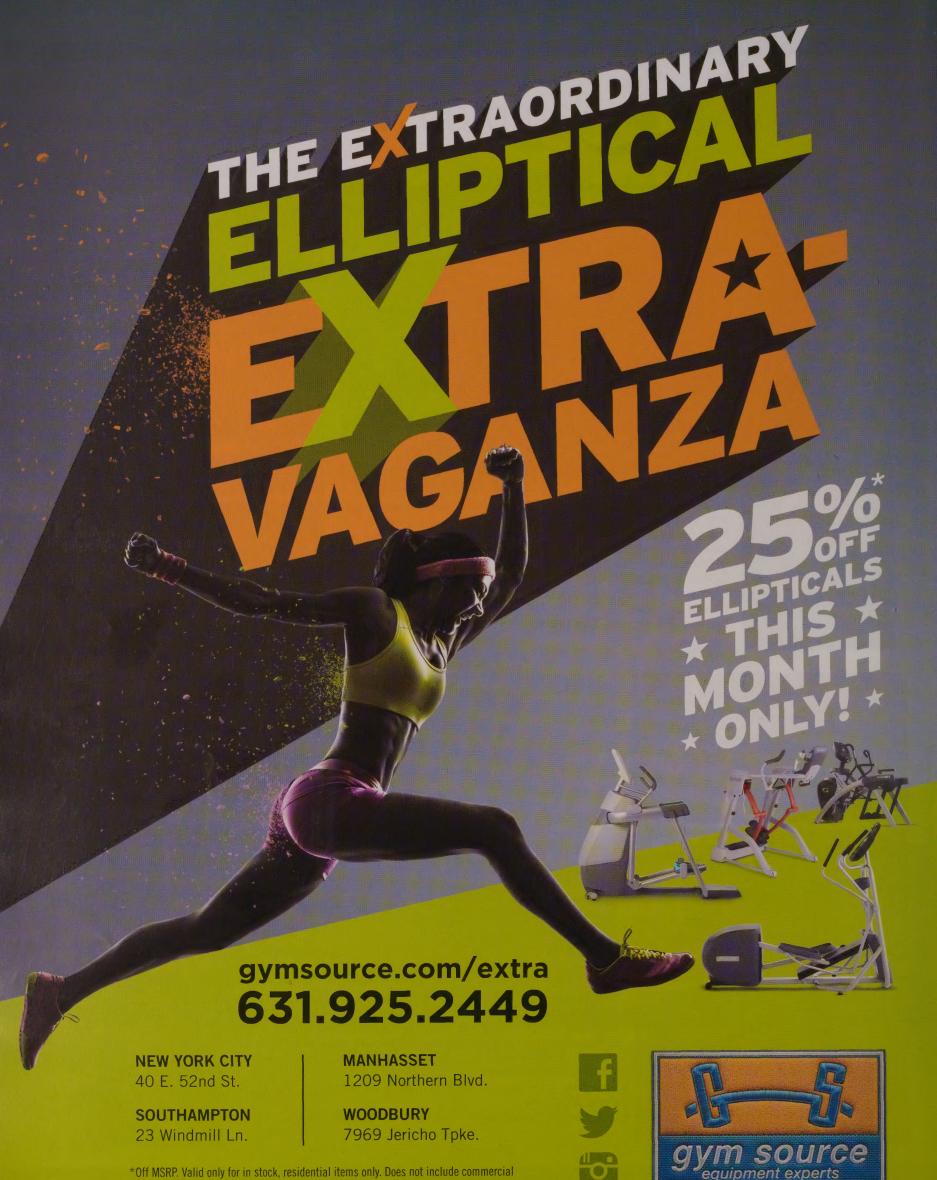
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